



# SUMMARY MINUTES

## ABAG CALFED Task Force Legislative/Governance Sub-Committee Meeting

May 5, 2003

Conference Room B, 101 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Oakland CA 94607-4756

### WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Mike Rippey called the meeting to order at 10:30a.m. and welcomed all members present. Attendance was as follows:

#### Members Present

Brian Lee  
Doug Wallace  
Greg Zlotnick (Vice-Chairman)  
Jake Mackenzie  
Julia Maclay  
Mike Rippey (Chairman)  
Robert Raab  
Sandra Threlfall  
Tim Anderson

#### ABAG/CALFED Staff Present

Kathleen Van Velsor

#### Jurisdiction

County of San Mateo  
East Bay Municipal Utility District  
Santa Clara Valley Water District  
City of Rohnert Park  
Santa Clara Valley Water District  
County of Napa  
Friends of the Estuary  
League of Women Voters  
Sonoma County Water Agency

ABAG

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 17, 2003 MEETING

A general consensus was reached to approve the minutes from January 17, 2003  
Legislative/Governance Sub-Committee meeting.

### SENATE BILL 312: URBAN LANDSCAPE WATER CONSERVATION ACT OF 2003

There was a general discussion of the Senate Bill 312. Background - In 1990, the legislature passed AB 325, which created a model ordinance to promote efficient water use in the landscapes in new homes constructed in California. Subsequent studies have shown that the bill was highly ineffective for lack of funding, lack of enforcement and lack of adoption by local agencies. As a result, environmentalists and water users agree that it is time to pass a new landscape conservation bill, to revise the current model ordinance and implement a number of other important provisions.

Natural Resources Defense Council and East Bay Municipal Utility District are the Co-Sponsors of SB 312.

The Sub-Committee reviewed Senator Machado's SB 312 which embodies these principles, took a support position and proposed recommending a support position to the Task Force.

**MACHADO LEGISLATION: SB 21 AND SB 750**

General update information has been sent on AB 21. The State's bonding capacity may influence what happens with AB 750. No position recommended.

**CANCIAMILLA LEGISLATION: AB 93**

There was a general discussion of AB 93, a bill which was introduced by Assembly Member Canciamilla and amended in assembly on April 7, 2003.

An act to add division 30 (commencing with Section 81000) to the Water Code, relating to financing a water quality, water security and water supply infrastructure improvement program, by providing the funds necessary therefore through the issuance and sale of bonds of the state of California and by providing for the handling and disposition of those funds, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

The State's bonding capacity will be a factor. The Legislative Sub-Committee took no position/action on AB 93.

**AB 1015 (LAIRD – WATER AND LAND USE/GENERAL PLANS AND CONCURRENCY)**

There was a general discussion of AB 1015, introduced by Assembly Member Laird, an act to amend Section 65302 of the Government Code, relating to land use. Existing Law requires a city or county general plan to include a specified land use element, requires the city or county to use a water agency's water management plan as a source document upon the adoption or revision of its general plan on or after January 1, 1996, and requires specified public water systems to provide certain information to the city or county planning agency upon notification of the proposed adoption or amendment of a general plan.

**AB 1300 – (LAIRD – PROPOSITION 50)**

There was a general discussion of AB 1300, introduced by Assembly Member Laird. The Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002, an initiative measure approved by the voters at the November 5, 2002, statewide general election, authorizes for the purposes of financing a safe drinking water, water quality, and water reliability program, the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$3,440,000,000.

The Legislative Sub-Committee recommended that Chairman Rippey forward their support for AB 1300 to the ABAG-CALFED Task Force at their next meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 12 noon.

Note: The tape recorder malfunctioned during the Legislative Sub-Committee meeting and Vina was not present (on vacation) to do her usual sterling job of taking notes. Therefore, we expect there may be correction needed to this minutes.